

No serious disturbance has been reported in spite of the preaching of revolutionary doctrines by active anarchists, several of whom have been arrested.

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**Dogs treated and boarded**





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## CONVENTION TEST

The Republican State convention at Sacramento was the first in California of a new sort—the legalized convention composed of candidates nominated at the primary for the legislature. It was therefore an interesting test of the desirability of that system of conventions.

And it must be concluded that the experiment was a success, even at the points at which the expected change from the old system did not fully materialize.

The convention, in its first place, was far more representative of the people than any delegate convention has ever been. When delegates are elected, they are the minor consideration and afterthought of the electors, and whoever has the best organization usually wins. For instance, Hiram Johnson was nominated for Governor because the people were for him. But the Progressives controlled the State Convention merely because the Lincoln-Roosevelt League had a better political organization than the old machine had. No such explanation applied to this convention. Every delegate, in it had been the most conspicuous office, for the most conspicuous office, in his district, and his election represented the deliberate choice of his constituents.

The same considerations of course made it a convention of exceptionally high-grade men. No such convention, in its personality, ever sat in California before. It was a convention small enough not to be unwieldy; it was unbiased, and could not have been biased; and it developed its own leadership, or experienced and tested men, instead of having its leadership artificially related to it by program.

Incidentally it may be interesting to know that Fresno county furnished more than its share of that leadership. There were four positions of formal leadership—the chairman, the floor leader, and the chairmen of the two important committees. Fresno county had two of these four positions—the chairman of the two important committees. Assemblyman Sutherland was chairman of the committee on platform, and Assemblyman Chandler of the committee on nominations (which determined the state organization of the party). The other two positions went to Senators Gates and Boynton, but the Fresno county representatives had more than their share to do with the deliberations which led to their selection, too.

The one thing in which the convention fell short of its theoretical purpose was the lack of extended debate on the floor in regard to details of the platform. The platform did have the advantage of being the product of the identical body of men whose business it will be to carry it out, and it was the product of far more consultation with them than ever occurred in any previous convention, or could have occurred in any other sort of a convention. But it was not public debate, in elaborate detail, on the floor. It was devised in committee, and adopted en bloc at the convention, just as had happened in all previous conventions. The platform was, of course, the diversion of debate to the Presidential issue. The platform committee held public debate from eight o'clock to midnight, the first day of the convention, and most of the next day was occupied in debate and parliamentary jockeying under the head of platform, but it was all devoted to the single point of which presidential candidate should be endorsed. Such a situation will never arise again. If half the time ostensibly devoted to the platform had been really devoted to it, the platform would have been the most fully debated one on record. So, while the conventions did not realize in this respect what it theoretically should, it demonstrated that it could be done, and under normal conditions would have been done.

"The spirit which prevails among them is respect for law as a learned profession and respect for the lawyer's obligation as an officer of the court, interest in public questions of the day and a sense of civic responsibility to the state which has educated them."—University of California Bulletin.

And the greatest of these need not be respect for the law as a "learned" profession. Learning, as contrasted with "training," has made too many lawyers more bewilderment of ancient wood.

Governor Wilson promises that if he is elected President, his term will be tranquil, if not interesting. Meaning, from past history of Democratic administration, that the calmness of despair will settle on the country until another change can be effected.

There never was a religious, a political party or any other movement that brought forth its profession of faith. The Progressives have been in the Progressive party now propose to observe the birthday of Theodore Roosevelt as Founder's Day. Get the idea?

## HOODOO NUMBERS

There are just thirteen letters in the headline of this paragraph. Which is only the first of a series of interesting, hoodoo coincidences. Evidently the spirit of disaster has wished to send mathematical warnings before.

As, for instance: Thirteen Taftites bolted the state convention, and assembled in the rooms of the Woodrow Wilson club, therein to proclaim themselves the Republican party of California, and to devise ways and means to deprive their followers of the opportunity to vote for Taft, while attempting to shift the responsibility for their actions to the majority of the convention, which had followed the instructions of the people.

Thirteen Taftites, on Friday, the 13th, bolted the San Joaquin county Republican convention.

Thirteen Taftites bolted the Fresno county convention, and, assembling in the rooms of the Scene-Shifters' Union, solemnly resolved that the world is a changeless stage, on whose political boards no scenes shall ever be shifted.

Twenty-three Taftites bolted the Los Angeles county convention, and solemnly allowed the reporter for the Los Angeles Times to count them. He saw twelve, and counted 230.

Thirteen Taftites and one twenty-three, with the entries not all in yet. The "thirteen," however, symbolizes the fortune which attended the primaries of September 3, and the "twenty-three" the result of the election on November 5.

## WHEN IN OFFICE

We learn from the Socialists themselves that we need not be alarmed at the success of Socialism just because any particular Socialist candidate might win an election. Socialism is to be accomplished not in a day, nor in a term but by a slow evolution of law and administration. Thus any Socialist will protest that the success of the Socialist ticket is essential to Socialism, but success of the ticket will not produce Socialism. That will come later.

Which takes away much, both of the strength and fear of the Socialist movement. If to elect Debs, or Harrison or Bill Wilson means not Socialism, but merely the substitution of a new "bunch" in office with different personal and political affiliations, why fear them? The struggle, looking at it from this point, is merely complicated by adding one more contestant to the election tourney.

This disrespect for a movement which has no program of immediate action is what caused the decay of the Union Labor political movement in San Francisco. At first both its friends and its foes expected that the Schmitz administration would make some change in the relation between capital and labor. Its friends soon found that it could help them none, its enemies that it could injure them none except as it lay other "push" might have done, by grafting. So the people as a whole soon lost interest in the movement.

It would be the same way in any case where a Socialist is nominated. If well intentioned and intelligent, all that any Socialist can do is to be progressive. If merely a fanatic or a crook, a Socialist is worse than any other official, because the force of a fanatic following will strengthen him in office longer.

A "program" to be carried out at once is an essential to any valid political movement.

## "IF"

"If—mark you, I say 'if'—if at one time the Southern Pacific Railway owned the Supreme Court of the State of California,"—Woodrow Wilson at New Haven.

"If—mark you, we say 'if'—Woodrow Wilson is the Democratic candidate for President—"

Why this judicial caution? There are some things which even the law allows to be proved by common notoriety. There are resorts whose character is judicially cognizable by their reputation. And there has been at least one court in the United States whose character, as to a known portion of its membership, was similarly demonstrable. "Or if, as a historian, Mr. Wilson desires direct proof, that, too, was available.

And "if—mark you, we say 'if'—Woodrow Wilson should ever be President of the United States, would he be equally cautious in saying 'if—mark you I say 'if'—Murphy, Taggart, et al are vicious machine bosses," and would he thereby give them the benefit of that hypothetical doubt?

## PUBLICITY

A reform of legislative and congressional proceedings which has been variously called for is most emphatically needed, that of having the votes of members of committees on bills referred to them registered as a part of the public record. This reform is necessary as a means of keeping check on those members who manage to "keep their record clear" as to the minutes of the main body, but have bills that they propose to knife killed in committee.

The flood of useful and useless bills in either Congress or a state legislature is too great to have each one acted by the main house, so the committee system has been devised as a means of weeding out useless bills and revealing those that are not in proper form to be passed on by the entire membership. This gives the committees real legislative power. Their proceedings in shelving bills are just as important as those of the entire body in defeating them. The acts of committees should not be hidden from their constituents.

## "NOW IS THE TIME"

By John T. McCutcheon.

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BRIEF EDITORIAL  
FANCIES SELECTED

The Johnson Crusade

The governor of California in his political tour of the East is making good. No candidate except Roosevelt has come anywhere near him as a "spellbinder" to draw the people. He has addressed on his tour of the country an average of 50,000 people a day. On several occasions the press dispatches place his audience at 25,000. California ought to be proud of her native son. He is the biggest man, politically and intellectually, that the state has produced. He has done more in the last two years to put California in the front rank of states than all the governors of California combined. And yet you will find a lot of pigeon-toed Republicans of the standard variety, and tattered Democrats with the moss still on their backs, standing in little groups around street corners, or leading up against a lamp post and "cussing" Johnson.

Every grafter, every political bum, every hanger-on and every friend of special privilege is against him. He has cleaned out the Augean Stables of this state; he has wrecked the S. P. political machine; he has driven the grafters under cover and knocked the old boss ridden Republican machine into a cocked hat.

Hiram Johnson is in direct line for the presidency of the United States, and is the man of the hour to lead to victory four years hence the great progressive army that he is now marshaling.—Herald-Examiner Tribune.

## Modern Humanism

The medieval mind is manifesting itself in so many different ways just at present that it seems as if there were to be a revival of the dark ages. One of the most interesting of them is the "classical propaganda," as it is called. This is an effort to restore Greek to its old prestige in the colleges and degrade the sciences. In support of this we hear a great deal about "the bankruptcy of science," "the failure of progress" and so on.

Oxford University in England is perhaps as much the center of the revival of medievalism as any place. Matthew Arnold called this university the home of lost causes. He might have more truthfully called it a graveyard where the ghosts of dead ideas are in the habit of walking. The latest work which Oxford has produced in favor of Greek is one by R. W. Livingstone. "The Greek Genius and Its Meaning to Us." His argument is to the effect that because we owe a heavy debt to Plato and Aristotle, therefore every college student ought to spend five or six years trying to learn their language. It is about as sensible as it would be to argue that because pork has been exceedingly useful for centuries, we ought to learn to squeal like a pig.

The controversy shimmers down to a debate between humanism and medievalism. In the time of Plutarch humanism necessarily signified the study of Greek and Latin because it was only in these languages that nutritious food for the mind could be found. But since his day, circumstances have altered. The modern languages and literatures now contain a great deal more mental substance than the classical did. In fact everything that is worth while in Greek has been rendered into English, French and German. In addition to that we now possess a whole world of knowledge which was unknown to the ancients. It follows that the original reasons for studying the classical tongues no longer exist.

The sad truth is that Greek and Latin have taken the place of material theology as the principal modern tyrants over the human spirit. Humanism now means the study of modern languages and science. These branches open to us the gates of culture and advancement just as the classical did for Plutarch. We have traveled rapidly since his day and the old landmarks stand far behind us.—Portland Oregonian.

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TRICKERY PRACTICED BY GAMBLERS  
WHO SEEK TO RE-ESTABLISH RACE BETTING

By Franklin Hichborn.

James H. Barry, editor of the San Francisco Star, in the issue of September 14, tells how he was tricked into signing the petition to have the bill to legalize racetrack gambling submitted to the people of California.

When Mr. Barry went to register, he was asked to sign a petition on the ground that it was to prevent racetrack gambling.

With this understanding Mr. Barry signed gladly, and got others to sign. Later on he learned that he had signed a petition to give the racetrack gamblers opportunity to resume operations. Of the incident, Mr. Barry says in The Star:

"We signed this initiative petition, and we did so under the supposition that the bill was what it purported to be, a throttle for gambling in California. It appears, however, that there is a 'but' in the measure, and that it really was designed to foster racetrack gambling in this state."

Barry's friends are inclined to regard the incident as a good joke on Barry, for Barry and Barry's paper have for years been uncompromisingly against the racetrack gamblers.

It is a joke—it is a piece of deception, misrepresentation and trickery can be regarded as joking.

## NOT AN EXCEPTIONAL CASE

And Barry is not the only citizen who helped put the gambling bill on the ballot in the belief that he was supporting an anti-gambling measure. Hundreds were, in the same manner, tricked into signing the petition.

And casual reading of the bill convinces the average person that it is, as the gamblers pretend it to be, a measure to prevent racetrack gambling, when its real purpose is to restore the evil in California.

By the same trickery by which the necessary signatures were secured to have the bill submitted to the voters, the gamblers hope to secure favorable will vote for the gambling bill for action upon it.

The gamblers and their supporters want it. But these cannot muster the necessary votes to restore racetrack gambling in California. Honest men and women who oppose racetrack gambling must be tricked into voting for the gambling law or it cannot be carried.

The bill has been worded to make its purpose never to be to suppress racetrack gambling; the title by which it goes on the ballot declares the measure an act to prohibit pool-selling and book-making. And yet, under its provisions, racetrack gambling will be revived in California. And for such is the measure intended.

Under the initiative amendment to the state constitution a majority of the vote cast for an initiative measure makes it a law. The gambling element will vote for the initiative law and work for it.

Opponents of racetrack gambling must cast more votes against the gambling law than the gamblers succeed in securing for it, or racetrack gambling will be established in California by the measure.

## WHEN NAPOLEON WAS EXPECTED.

The helix of Wrentham church, in Essex, England, looks more like an ancient summer house than a belfry. Its chief interest lies in the fact that it contains two huge saws made at the time when Napoleon was supposed to be on the point of invading England. These saws were to be used for cutting down trees, with which the roads were to be blocked against the invaders. This, however, was but one of many means which were devised to repel the invaders. Perhaps better known are the series of Martello towers which dot portions of the southern coast of England, and the Military Canal, which runs from Lyme to within a short distance of Hastings.—From the October Strand.

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## STATE BANKING DEPARTMENT IS SAFEGUARD TO INVESTING PUBLIC

Review of Work of This Branch of State Government  
Under Present Administration Shows Rigid Enforcement of Laws for Protection of Depositors

Few people realize the vital importance to them personally of the State Banking Department and its proper conduct. They do not stop to think that the one safeguard for their savings and deposits against the dishonest banker is this particular subdivision of the state government. Nor do they stop to think that this department must be continually vigilant in guarding their interests against transgressions of the law upon the part of eminently respectable financiers who, while presidents of banks, are heavily interested in other enterprises and occasionally in their enthusiasm for the advancement of these particular enterprises risk the depositors' money.

The one safeguard of the people against dishonest banking is the State Banking Department. This being true, it is obvious that the head of that department, the superintendent of state banking, should not be hampered with personal connections with the powerful financial institutions whose actions he must supervise. It is also obvious that the state banking department should not be hampered by the failure of the state to appoint an innocent at first may get beyond control and bring about the failure of the financial institutions and losses to depositors. This course, without doubt, arouses the enmity of dishonest bankers, and in addition arouses the en-

my of many honest and respectable bankers, who are powerful in their own circles and resent restraint or supervision. The people need concern themselves very little over the fact that powerful financial interests hate or dislike a superintendent of state banking, on the contrary, they had better concern themselves greatly when bankers are too unanimous or glowing in their praise of a superintendent; he is apt to be of the "good fellow" type.

When Governor Johnson took office, Alden Anderson was superintendent of the state banking department. Mr. Anderson had for years been intimately associated with powerful financial institutions of the state and had their hearty endorsement. One particular group of San Francisco financiers was enthusiastically in favor of Mr. Anderson.

A strong intimation was conveyed to Mr. Anderson that Governor Johnson would accept his resignation—in fact that the chief executive intended to remove him unless the resignation was forthcoming. Mr. Anderson resigned. In his place Governor Johnson appointed William R. Williams, who had just been re-elected state treasurer and who had had valuable experience in addition to marked ability. Williams did not have, and has not now, any personal relations with any bank or group of banks.

**SUMMARY OF WORK.**  
It will be apparent to the public that in a summary of what has been accomplished by the State Banking Department, the names of particular banking institutions will have to be eliminated for the protection of depositors and in justice to the institutions themselves, which since being forced to comply with the law have been properly conducted. The facts related cannot be successfully denied.

The banking laws of this state are ample to protect the public against banking ignorance or dishonesty, but these laws must be enforced. Why they were not enforced prior to the time Mr. Williams took charge of the department is patent from the fact that the superintendent of banking was himself allied with big interests which resented restraint in the handling of their depositors' money. It is a fact that when Mr. Williams took charge of affairs many of the banking laws were being ignored. Directors, officers and employees of certain banks were lending to themselves the money of their depositors. This was done directly and indirectly. They loaned it to corporations in which they were big stockholders, and they loaned it to certain big corporations, bigger than themselves, whose agents they were. They endorsed the loans of others and became surety for borrowers who otherwise would have had no standing.

One particular order for which Mr. Williams was very severely criticized by bankers was that in which he directed that the reserve funds of banks must be in gold coin and not bank notes. This was a direct provision of law. The reason for the order is interesting.

Certain interests in different parts of the state controlled both national and state banks. The national banking law, like the state law, requires that all reserve funds be in United States gold coin. Of course, the national bank examiners would not tolerate the placing of bank notes in the reserve in place of gold, so these interests, controlling both state and national banks, would transfer their gold reserves to their national banks and their bank notes to the state banks. Mr. Williams simply demanded gold coin the same as the United States government demanded, yet certain banking interests and newspapers abused him for it.

The reason why the United States government and the State Banking department refuse to accept bank notes instead of gold is that a bank note is nothing more than a promissory note, while gold is real money. In times of stress, when the occasions when the reserve funds are brought into play, the people want gold and not promissory notes. Mr. Williams proposes to see that they get it.

The bankers who did object objected for the weighty reason that the shipping in of gold coin would cost them express charges. In view of the fact that they make enormous profits and have free use of the people's money there will be very little sympathy wasted upon them.

**ONE WRECK NOT ENOUGH.**  
One wreck like the California Safe deposit and Trust Company should have been enough to warn bankers and the people at large that the banking laws should be rigidly enforced. Yet it was not. Certain bankers went blithely on their way lending their depositors' money to interests of speculative character in which they were interested. Experience has taught that operations of that character inevitably terminate in disaster. How long it would have been before there was another crash, of course, is problematical. It is sufficient to cite the case of the Bank of Shasta, the affairs of which had been criminally conducted for a long period of months, with the knowledge of the bank superintendent. The superintendent found it necessary to close the doors of the bank as matters were going from bad to worse.

That other disasters would have followed is undoubtedly true. If Mr. Williams had not ruled with an iron hand and required all banks to conform to the law in their transactions, the compelled the re-creation of excessive loans, demanded additional security for others, and forced the writing off of bad paper.

One savings bank was carrying on its books as assets certain bonds on which a valuation had been placed of \$100,000. The actual value, however, was \$10,000. Mr. Williams demanded that the valuation be reduced to the actual value of the securities, eliminating all speculative value. This would seem reasonable to the common man who deposits money in a bank, but it was denounced as an anarchistic trait in the bank superintendent. However, the valuation was reduced.

In another instance the president of

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a commercial bank had loaned to a corporation in which he was guiding genius and principal stockholder the sum of \$100,000. Mr. Williams objected to such a loan and compelled the bank president to return the money to the bank. This action was denounced as the throttling of industry. However, if the particular corporation had failed with \$100,000 of the depositors' money, thus in turn striding at the stability of the bank, Mr. Williams would have been executed for not enforcing the law.

A third instance of the queer banking that prevailed is very interesting. A commercial bank was organized by members of a certain corporation. The bank began business and immediately upon receiving deposits loaned the money taken in to the corporation which organized the bank. This is the exact scheme which flourished so much in the action of frenzied finance.

Mr. Williams ordered this practice stopped immediately under the threat that every man involved would be indicted on felony charges. The practice was stopped, the bank returned their money to its depositors, and the interests behind the scheme have ever since waged unceasing warfare against Mr. Williams and Governor Johnson.

Perhaps the most amusing instance of all was that in which a cashier's check, a worthless bit of paper, was found in the legal reserve of a certain institution in place of \$200,000 in gold coin. Mr. Williams took summary action to compel the restoration of the particular bank's legal reserve. The gold coin was put back, but those involved have bitterly hated the bank superintendent ever since.

How far the abuses outlined would have gone had they not been checked in time it is impossible to say. One fact stands out, however, and that is that the state commercial and state savings banks of California are in a stronger position today than they ever were in their history and their transactions are as closely, if not more closely, scrutinized than those of national banks. The people have an absolute guarantee of their honest administration.

Fortunately, the big majority of the bankers of California are honest men engaged in honest banking. Fortunately,

ately, also, that minority which is dishonestly inclined or accustomed to special privilege stands in fear of its exposure and prosecution.

Those powerful banking interests which are corrupt hate the present administration of the law. They own newspapers and through those newspapers constantly attack the officers who are enforcing the law. On the other hand the state banking department represents the people. In the very nature of things this department cannot always exploit its side of the case for fear of injuring the depositors.

An almost infallible rule for the people to follow, however, is to watch the attitude of certain notoriously corrupt newspapers toward a bank superintendent. If these newspapers, owned by corrupt millionaires, are constantly slurring a bank superintendent, he is a good man for the people to put their faith in.

A complete review of the present administration of the state banking department convinces one of the fact that much has been accomplished. It is a fact that the banking in California on the very highest plane has been a tremendous task and a bitter fight. The net result is that the banks of California are safe.

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Mrs. Walter Anderson, of R. F. D., Valdez, Kansas, says: "When I was about thirteen years of age I had severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism in my limbs, which were terribly swollen. I suffered intense pain and from that time until I took Dr. Williams' Pink Pills I suffered a general weakness. There was a constant pain through my head and I never saw a well day. I was weak, generally run down and had no ambition to work. My blood was thin and I lost in weight. I had no appetite and my stomach was out of order. Whenever I was chilled I was troubled with rheumatic pains in my limbs. I was very nervous and was often confined to bed for a week.

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A booklet, "Building Up the Blood," containing helpful information about rheumatism, after-effects of the grip and fever, anemia and chlorosis, will be sent free upon request.

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## ALICE JOYCE, KALEM BEAUTY, WILL APPEAR IN HIGHER CLASS PHOTOPLAYS



Alice Joyce who will be seen this week at Fresno Photo Theater

Miss Joyce will no longer appear in one jump. Her ability as an all Western play—she has graduated to a scintillating star of the first water, and will henceforth be identified with the head studio in New York.

Contrary to the usual methods of the photoplay companies, who require strict and absolute stage knowledge, before signing a contract for silent drama work, Alice Joyce was enabled to throw all traditions to the winds, stepping from Charles Dana Gibson's studio to the photoplays, as it were, in one jump.

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current events, taken from everywhere on this globe of ours.

Everyone remembers "Believe Me of all Those Endearing Young Charms," the sweet ballad of long ago. The Edison Company has made a charming play taken from the sentiment of this song.

**ACTUAL BIRTH OF PLANTS AND FLOWERS.**

Here is another one of those educational that is interestingly beautiful to men, women and children because it is far from being dry. We see plants actually blossoming and growing before your very eyes. This is done by accelerating the action over 11,000 times. Another triumph for the motion picture, which shows nature's wonders so faithfully. A trick picture and two other comedies complete the full program of seven subjects.

## LEARN WORKINGS OF OUR GOVERNMENT

This Book Tells Many Things That Public Doesn't Know

Uncle Sam is the greatest user of printer's ink in the world. In fact he uses so much that his annual printing bill amounts to some eight million dollars a year. More than three tenths of this is expended in Washington, while the balance represents printing done for the courts and other branches of the national establishment outside of the capital city.

No one ever has undertaken to estimate what it costs to prepare the manuscripts from which Uncle Sam's printers set out the year's work. It is a difficult task, since these manuscripts are almost wholly the by-product of the task of expending nearly a billion dollars a year. Nearly all of them are incidental; but if one were to consider only such activities as are made primary for the purpose of publishing information, it is probable that the government pays fifteen million dollars for its manuscripts.

It has been suggested that one of the greatest needs of Uncle Sam is an efficient corps of blue pencil wielders. It is asserted that if all of the useless and unnecessary matter were cut out of the government's manuscripts it would not only make them more readable, but would cut in two the great national printing bill.

The story of the government printing office never was adequately told until it appeared in the new book, "The American Government," by Frederick J. Haskin. An accurate description of the work of all the other departments of the government is contained in this somewhere. Every American will feel much more pride in his government when he learns the facts about its varied and gigantic operation. The Republic is offering this splendid book at cost because it believes that a better understanding of what the government is actually doing will promote better citizenship. See coupon on page 13 and act quickly before it is too late.

## W. PARKER LYON TO VOTE IN THIS CITY

W. Parker Lyon, ex-mayor of Fresno, who returned a few days ago from San Jose, stated yesterday that this city will still be his home in the eyes of the election laws of the state. Lyon went to the courthouse the first thing yesterday morning and registered in order to retain the legal right to cast his ballot in Fresno on November 5. He expects to return to San Jose in a few days in his automobile but will be back in Fresno several times between now and election day. He says he will also make it a point to be here on November 5. Lyon plans to spend most of his time away from Fresno, but will continue to claim this city as his home and come here at each election to cast his ballot.

## "POMANDER WALK," COMEDY OF HAPPINESS



Miss Marie Burke in "Pomander Walk"—Barton Monday Evening.

No finer example of the unadulterated, incurable, triple-plated "boob" is to be found in modern dramatic literature than Shipping Clerk George Wright, of George Broadhurst's "Bought and Paid For," which comes to the Barton Monday evening.

On the subject of "boob," Webster is silent. There is to be found in the depths of his ponderous philological volume no definition of this widely known brand of individual. Many have sought to define the word but after all end by announcing that a "boob" is just a "boob."

George Wright gives the best definition of a "boob" by portraying one behind the footlights for two hours and a half. It is an eloquent definition. No one is in doubt as to what constitutes a "boob" when the curtain falls. This colossal egotist who is always trying to shift his shortcomings on some one else's shoulders, whose nerve is superhuman, and whose capabilities are "minus" is not a person of the theatre. He belongs to real life.

Wright proves that he is a true artist by taking his man from real life, with all his foibles that affront you in Rattler Street, and making him afford you true entertainment when you hear him declaiming from the theater stage. Wright does not introduce a false note in his delineation. The criticism of his work that he most treasures was given by Augustus Thomas, "I admire your characterization tremendously," said Thomas, "not so much for what you do, but for what you don't do."

"Pomander Walk"

"If you want to get away from the rut of every-day living and from con-

ventional stage entertainment, go to the Barton and see "Pomander Walk," which will be there next Monday evening.

It is the latest innovation in dramatics, and has been rightfully called, "the comedy of happiness." The play is by Louis N. Parker, the English dramatist, who, fifteen years ago wrote "Rosemary" for John Drew and Maude Adams, and latterly "Driscoll" for George Arliss. This last-named play ran all of the past season at Wallack's theater, New York, and will open its second season there next month.

The period of "Pomander Walk" is the latter years of the Georgian era—1805. It derives its quaintness and charm from the fact that it has to do with a little colony of interesting characters who are living in a row of five Elizabethan cottages in the suburbs of London, which they have named Pomander Walk. Among this happy colony are a retired admiral, who lost an eye fighting under Nelson; an ex-butler who is masquerading as an important personage; a handsome young naval lieutenant; a weather-beaten man-o-war's matriarch; a pretty French widow, and her still prettier daughter; and a dozen others. All of the characters are sharply and skillfully drawn.

The company is composed entirely of English players of repute, and are almost identically the same that appeared in "Pomander Walk" at Wallack's theater, New York, the whole season, two years ago. None but English actors could adequately portray the delicate English of the play. The company numbers twenty-four people, which is large for a dramatic organization. This superb attraction is under the management of the Lichner company. The seat sale is now open.

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## GREAT CROWDS FILL PLAZA AIRDOME TO CAPACITY

A flash light of crowds who witness excellent vaudeville at Plaza.

Every night the Plaza is filled to the greatest capacity. Oftentimes it is necessary to improvise chairs and benches or to bring them in from wherever they can be secured.

The Plaza has been giving uniformly good shows every week. The program is changed twice weekly, and it seems as though each bill is better than the previous one.

This week and continuing until Sunday night when the change of bill is made there is an exceptionally good show in which comedy is predominant.

Marvelous Rosales is a gentleman who performs on the rings and is exceedingly clever. He performs many feats that are very difficult.

### ELITE CHORUS GIRLS IN CONTEST TONIGHT

This is the first Chorus Girls contest of the season at Teal's Theater tonight and its weekly. Four "singing" girls will be at a premium at both shows as the girls will contest for big money prizes at both shows to accommodate the big crowds that will not doubt be in evidence to see the contest.

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# News From Central California

## BIG ACQUEDUCT FROM INYO NEARING FINISH

Water Will Be Turned Into It From Owens River About January 1st

BAKERSFIELD, Sept. 26.—The great Owens river aqueduct, which has cost upward of \$20,000,000 and which carries water 235 miles across Inyo, Kern and Los Angeles counties to supply Los Angeles with water, is nearing completion. A statement by General Adna R. Chaffee, who is at the head of the work, is that the water will be started on its long journey from Owens lake in Inyo county about January 1st, next. Two months will elapse, however, before the water leaves the lake. Every part will be carefully tested before the full head of water is run through it.

The speed of the water through the aqueduct will be about four miles an hour, which will bring it to Los Angeles, a distance of 235 miles, in about ten days and a half from the time it leaves the lake. To insure the safety of the aqueduct, caretakers will be placed to watch it at various points. There will be a watchman at the head-gates who will be advised by telephone if anything goes wrong, necessitating the shutting down of the gates.

## TURLOCK PHYSICIANS TAKEN FOR SPEEDING

Demand Jury Trials After Being Arraigned; Cases Come Up Next Week

TURLOCK, Cal., Sept. 26.—Two prominent local doctors, J. Lester Wilson and R. E. Barry, were placed under arrest by Deputy Sheriff Collins today. The officer claims that they were racing along Main street at the rate of 40 miles an hour. The two doctors denied the charge and demanded a jury trial. It was granted, and the case of Dr. Wilson will come up before the city recorder on next Wednesday. Dr. Barry's trial date has not been set.

## TURLOCK CANNERY STARTS UP AGAIN

After Delay of Week Institution Is to Begin Putting Up Tomatoes and Grapes for the Market

TURLOCK, Sept. 26.—After a week's lay-off the local cannery will start up again tomorrow on the last leg of about the best season's run that it has ever enjoyed. The work that will be taken up tomorrow will be the canning of tomatoes and grapes of which there is a plentiful supply in this district. The fruit pack for the present season was an extraordinary heavy one and had the store-house filled almost to its full capacity with its row upon row of cans, but they are rapidly disappearing in response to the many orders that are being received.

## FOWLER JAP FINED FOR BOOTLEGGING

FOWLER, Sept. 26.—T. Suda, the Fresno Japanese merchant, who was arrested a week ago by Deputy Sheriff Ford for violating the Wylie law, in selling liquor at different ranches, was fined \$75 in court this morning. Judge Graham, of Fresno, tried the case. The offense was reduced by the court and the Japanese merchant was let go with the above stated fine. Justice Bradley and Deputy Sheriff Ford appeared as witnesses against the defendant, and Attorney Irvine Aten, of the firm of Everts & Ewing, was counsel for the Japanese.

## MEXICAN ARRESTED FOR SELLING LIQUOR

HANFORD, Sept. 26.—C. Estrella, a Mexican, was arrested last night by the sheriff and city officers and charged with illicitly selling liquor. He submitted to a preliminary hearing in Justice Meadows' court this morning, intending to plead guilty in the Superior Court, to which tribunal he was held to answer under the provisions of the Wylie local option law.

## BAKERSFIELD WILL PAVE MANY BLOCKS

BAKERSFIELD, Sept. 26.—The board of city trustees have just passed resolutions of intention for 63 blocks of paving in the residence district of the city. By the end of another year more than half a million dollars will have been expended in beautifying the streets.

## OAKLAND SPEAKERS WILL VISIT MADERA

MADERA, Sept. 26.—C. G. Clarken was here today and arranged for a meeting of the "Flying Squadron," a company of speakers who are voicing their objections to the proposed outlawing of their city. A meeting will be held here Tuesday at the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

## MADERA DEMOCRATS WILL HOLD MEETING

MADERA, Sept. 26.—W. M. Hughes, chairman of the Democratic county committee, has arranged for a Democratic meeting for Saturday night at which Dr. S. C. Church of Fresno will be the speaker.

J. W. Copeland, of Dayton, Ohio, purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for his boy who had a cold and the bottle was all used before the cold was gone. He paid no more than a five dollar doctor's bill for sale by all dealers.

## COMMISSIONER COOK COMMENDS GROWERS OF TULARE COUNTY

PORTERVILLE, Sept. 26.—Prof. A. J. Cook, the head of the state horticultural commission, is advertising Tulare county on his present lecture tour through this state by referring to it as a county of abundant trees and cleanest orchards in the state of California and the one in which the most pride is taken in planting and caring for roadside trees.

During the past few days several lectures have been received by A. G. Schulz, the county horticultural commissioner, in which he is asked the secret of our immunity from pests and the condition of our roadside tree plantings. In every instance the lecturer refers to the statement of Cook that Tulare county is a model for all counties to follow.

## RIVERDALE RANCHMEN DEMAND MORE WATER

Meeting Is Held and Plans Made for Employing Attorney; News Notes

RIVERDALE, Sept. 26.—The ranchmen using water along the Fresno Canal and Irrigation Company have united for the purpose of securing better water rights. At a meeting held in Northfork school house, J. Hunter was elected president, T. D. Marshall secretary and G. W. Frost treasurer. A ways and means committee consisting of McKean, Harlan and Ogle was appointed to draw up resolutions and raise a fund to carry on the work, and employ an attorney. Another meeting will be held Saturday night.

John L. Reaser has left for the hills. Rev. Oakes of Colton is holding evangelistic services at the United Brethren church. C. F. Huntington has returned from Del Rey. Mrs. Huntington remained for a longer visit. Miss Gertrude LeBaun has returned from Fresno. Miss Josephine Goby has returned home from the winter. J. N. Wheatley has been appointed registering clerk for this district. Everybody must be registered by the 5th of October to vote at the presidential election. Mr. Mitchell, local representative of the telephone company, states that the ranchmen are expected to put in their own lines and buy their own phones. A rent of \$3 per year will be charged for connecting with the central office. Several of the leading merchants have petitioned the railroad to put on an early morning train for mail service. Many of the local Democrats attended the Bryan meeting at Hanford and Fresno.

## COALINGA CAR WILL ENTER RACES HERE

Coalinga Special Buick Is Being Overhauled and Will Try for Prize Money at the Fresno Fair

COALINGA, Sept. 26.—C. C. Crater has taken his Coalinga Special Buick to Fresno, where it is being overhauled by Mr. Vinick, the expert automobile repairer, and will be entered in the races at the fair. A new frame has been secured and the car shortened and the wheels reaftered. The engine is also being made over. The mechanic will drive the car, which is rated for the \$500 prize against a National 40, a Stutz 40, a Warren 35 and two Buick 40's.

## DINUBA COUNCIL TO ORDER SEWER BUILT

First Step Is Taken in Passage of Resolution Asking Engineer to Submit Set of Plans

DINUBA, Sept. 26.—At the meeting of the city trustees last night the first official action looking to the building of a municipal sewer system was taken when the trustees passed a resolution asking the city engineer to submit at once plans and estimates of the cost of the system. The city is making progress with the arrangements, and it is hoped within two weeks to have the notice to bond the city ready.

## TULARE DEMOCRATS TO RALLY TUESDAY

Danver Church and Theodore Bell Are Scheduled to Speak and There Will Be Music and Oratory

TULARE, Sept. 26.—Local Democrats are arranging for the opening rally of the congressional campaign which will be held here next Tuesday. Band music, real fire and oratory will be provided. Danver S. Church, Democratic candidate for Congress, and Theodore Bell will be the principal speakers. A special train will be run from Visalia.

## ATTENDANCE IS 220 IN TULARE SCHOOL

TULARE, Sept. 26.—Prof. W. T. Walton, superintendent of the Tulare public schools, takes exception to the statement appearing under Porterville dated last night, in which it was made that this city is third in the county in point of high school attendance. "If the figures quoted are correct," said Prof. Walton, "giving the Visalia high school attendance as 216, then Tulare is second and not third, as stated, as there are now enrolled in the Tulare high school exactly 226 students."

## THEATER ASSOCIATION TO FURNISH TROUPES

Shortage of Attractions in Cities Causes Valley Association to Get Busy

HANFORD, Sept. 26.—The return of Managing Director H. W. Wiley of the San Joaquin Valley Theater Managers' Association from a business trip to San Francisco was the signal yesterday for a meeting of the directors at which Wiley reported that so few shows of the popular price sort are facing toward the valley this season with the intention of making other towns than Fresno, Stockton, Bakersfield and perhaps Coalinga and Hanford, that if the twenty towns and cities included in the Managers' Association expects to book anything for the season they must look to the association to furnish it for them. To that end a company of ten was secured by Wiley and with "The Coward" as his first offering, this company is now rehearsing with the intention of opening for the circuit of twenty houses in the association within two weeks.

## MERCED REGISTRATION TOTALS 5,200 VOTERS

This Shows an Increase of 1,551 Over the Number for 1910

MERCED, Sept. 26.—Registration in Merced county to date is \$200 as compared with a total of 3649 for the general election of 1910. Although this is a large increase, much of it is due to the enrollment of women and County Clerk Thornton declares that there are still two thousand voters in the county who have not registered. He says that there is a feeling of indifference among the voters this year and that many of them don't care whether they vote. And this is something to be noted for a presidential year, says Thornton. The proportion is to parties, of the registered vote is as follows: Republicans, 2,300, Democrats, 2,000, Socialists, 300, Prohibitionists, 250, unaffiliated, 350.

## GASOLINE CAUSES FIRE IN COALINGA

Liquid Explodes in Cleaning Works; Flames Rise High From Gas in Tank; Owner Is Injured

COALINGA, Sept. 26.—Fire which started in a gasoline cleaning plant destroyed the cleaning works of the S. & W. Company, and the proprietor, Floyd West was burned about the hands.

West was engaged in cleaning some clothing in one of the machines. He reached into the liquid with his hands, and as he was pulling them out the gasoline exploded and in an instant the place was a mass of flames. An alarm was turned in and in a very short time the fire department was on hand and had the blaze under control.

Inside the building was a large drum of gasoline, containing about 20 gallons of the explosive. The heat from the fire caused the gas to rise and for a long time a volume of flames shot up from the tanks and could not be extinguished.

West was taken to the Coalinga General Hospital, where his burns were dressed. He states that the total loss of the fire was in the neighborhood of \$500, the most of which was fixtures and appliances. West also said that some clothes were lost but that the firm was in a position to make good the losses to their customers.

## PLEADS GUILTY TO KEEPING BLIND PIG

Traver Man Surprises Court Attaches With Plea of Guilty at Dinuba; Is Fined \$100 and Pays It

DINUBA, Sept. 26.—When the time arrived this morning for the hearing of the case against Charles Kash of Traver, charged with selling liquor in violation of the dry ordinance in this county, the defendant surprised the large company of spectators and prospective jurors by entering a plea of guilty. Justice Oates, of the 115th Orosi, had been invited to preside in the case by Justice Pillsbury, and without further ado, after a plea for leniency by the district attorney, the fine, Kash immediately gave a check for the amount.

## HONORS ARE GIVEN DINUBA YOUNG MEN

Two Are Chosen as Members of Glee Club of University of California, From 100 Applications

DINUBA, Sept. 26.—News has been received here of the naming of two of Dinuba's young men as members of the University of California Glee Club for this year. They are Earl Cochran and Lewis Sellman. In the test for the places there were about 100 applicants and one man passed the test with 100 per cent while Cochran was second. The relatives and friends of the young men are delighted with their showing.

## PLEADS GUILTY TO SMOKING OF OPIUM

PORTERVILLE, Sept. 26.—Toy Hop owner of a south Main street laundry appeared in Judge Hall's court today and pleaded guilty to a charge of smoking opium. Toy was given a suspended sentence of 60 days in the county jail. Toy is one of the old time Chinese, who has been in business here for 20 years. The officers are aware of the fact that he has never peddled opium or allowed smoking in his place other than what he did himself. As he is a Chinese who keeps entirely to himself, he was dismissed after the judge administered a lecture and a warning.

## Posts Signs Warning Autoists to Live Up to New Traffic Law

TULARE, Sept. 26.—Probably himself unable to cope with the situation relative to the enforcement of the new traffic ordinance, City Marshal Court Smith has called in printers to assist him in his campaign.

He has had printed several hundred small tags bearing the more important sections of the new ordinance calling attention to the fact that lights are required on all motor-driven vehicles after dark, giving instructions for making turns and relative to the jockeying of the machine at the curb.

Instead of hunting up the owner of the machine each time, the officer makes a note of the number and attaches one of the tags to the machine in a conspicuous place. The new plan is working out finely.

## Births, Deaths and Marriages in the San Joaquin Valley

**BORN**  
LUGGINS—In Bakersfield, September 21, 1912, to the wife of N. J. Higgins, a daughter.  
PATTERSON—In Bakersfield, September 24, 1912, to the wife of George Patterson, a daughter.  
MUELLER—In Porterville, September 25, 1912, to the wife of Frank Cheney, a daughter.  
STARKLEY—In Los Angeles, Sept. 25, to the wife of Warren Starkley of Visalia, a son.  
FLOURNOY—In Hanford, Wednesday, Sept. 25, 1912, to the wife of Edward Flournoy, a son.

**DIED**  
SWEGLE—In Modesto, September 24, 1912, Mrs. Bertha Swegle, aged 35. She was survived by a husband and four children.  
BLAKESLEY—Near Sanger, Sept. 25, 1912, infant of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Blakesley.

**LICENSED TO WED.**  
RADDEVICH—In Modesto, September 25, 1912, John Mark Raddevich, 25, of Turlock, and Rosetta Deuchler, 32, of Sausalito.  
WILLIAMS-GREENE—In Visalia, Loren Elmer Williams, 23, of White River, and Lillian Irene Greene, 18, of Sheldon, South Fork Valley, Kern county.  
PHILLIPS-LAMARCA—In Visalia, Charles Harvey Phillips, 25, of Los Angeles, and Miss Beradina Marie La Marcha, 26, of Tulare.  
WEBBER-JRETT—In Merced, George H. Webber, 31, and Fausta J. Fruit, 24, both of Merced.

## BRIEF NEWS OF TULARE

TULARE, Sept. 26.—Carl Virden, local agent for the Phoenix Oil Company of Bakersfield, is installing a 12,000 barrel tank in the Santa Fe yards for the storage of distillate.

The packing of fruit at the Tulare cannery which has been remodeled as a branch packing house of the Fresno Fruit Growers Co., has been postponed until next Monday. Ten carloads of fruit have been contracted for.

Joe La Marche secured 199 sacks of alfalfa seed from 200 acre plot on his ranch nine miles southeast of Tulare. A still better yield is reported by W. J. Higdon who claims to have secured 63 sacks from 25 acres.

A boy's band of twenty-five pieces is the latest thing in musical circles here. Remodeled programs in being made under the leadership of Prof. H. P. Wells.

A recent shipment of hogs over the Santa Fe by P. D. Campbell required five cars for the 600 head, which were shipped to San Francisco.

A. W. Place has been named as a committee of one by the Modesto Woodmen to confer with a like committee of the Royal Neighbors to arrange for a series of joint entertainments, the first of which will be held next month.

## KINGS COUNTY FAIR WILL BE BIG EVENT

Directors Busy Arranging Exhibits and Attractions; Good Race Program Is Promised Visitors

HANFORD, Sept. 26.—With but twelve days remaining in which to complete the details of arrangement for the 115th county fair the directors of the Kings County Fair Association find themselves very busy. This morning President C. L. Newport and Secretary Grant Robinson visited Lemoore to interest the people of that city in entering a community exhibit. As a result of the visit the Lemoore Chamber of Commerce has called a meeting for tomorrow night to see what can be done.

Tulay Secretary B. H. Price began making preparations for the Kings county fair in the women's department in charge of Mrs. George Dodge is progressing satisfactorily and with a long list of entries of the stock, a fine race program and promise of the amusement features the fair will be the best ever given here.

## JAP BLINDPIGGER IS FOUND GUILTY

Visalia Judge Holds That 78 Cases of Beer Stored on Premises Are More Than Is Needed for Use

VISALIA, Sept. 26.—H. Sumida, a Japanese merchant, was convicted today of having in his possession and storing beer and whiskey against the ordinances of the city. Sumida had waived his right of trial by jury, and the case was decided by Judge Bagby. It was brought out in the trial that the Japanese had received through the Santa Fe freight house, 78 cases of beer during the 21 days in August and previous to the raid in which the liquor was taken from Sumida. His fight had been made on the ground that he kept the liquor for his own use strictly under the ordinance of the city and that he had stored it for no other purpose.

**S. B. CATARRH**  
Remedy is best for catarrh of the head, stomach, kidneys, bowels and bladder. For sale by all leading druggists.

## DINUBA DAIRYMAN IS GORED BY MAD BULL

Animal Attacks Aged Man While Milking and Inflicts Injuries

DINUBA, Sept. 26.—A few days ago an accident occurred west of this city which has proven very serious for J. T. Moore, an aged dairyman near the J. J. Cress ranch. Moore was in the corral milking and a bull in the lot became furious, and in trying to protect himself Moore struck the beast over the head with the milking stool. This only increased the bull's temper, and he attacked Moore and gored him. A doctor was summoned and the wound sewed up, but Tuesday Moore thought to get up for a while and in some manner tore the stitching loose and has been confined to his bed ever since.

## SANGER PLANS FOR WEEK OF LECTURES

Meetings Will Be Conducted by J. A. Joy of Sacramento; Del Rey Chink Joint Raided

SANGER, Sept. 26.—A. B. Bissant, state president of the B. Y. P. U., spoke at the First Baptist church last evening. At the close of his address he met representatives from each of the Sanger churches and plans were made for the coming of J. A. Joy, of Sacramento, Mr. Joy, who is to come Oct. 4 to 13 will give a week's lectures on Social Purity topics. The meetings will be under the auspices of the Federated Young People's Organizations.

An all day session of Ladies' Home Mission Society, of the M. E. church South, was held today at the church. The ladies spent their time sewing for the poor.

Five Chinamen and three Japs were arrested last night in Del Rey for playing rancho. They were released on \$500 bonds each. Two Chinamen were arrested in the same place today for vagrancy. All the arrests were made by Constable G. E. Campbell, of Sanger and Deputy Sheriff P. C. Fain of Del Rey. The date for the trial has not been set. Seven Chinamen were arrested last week on a gambling charge and will be tried tomorrow. Four of the same ones were rearrested last night, having been caught in the second offense before their first trial. These arrested last night had a complete tantrum gambling outfit in their possession. Between \$200 and \$300 in cash was found on the gambling table.

Class meetings were held for the senior and freshmen classes of the High school today. Leona Moody was elected president of the senior class, and Norman Meade of the freshmen.

## PIONEER WOMAN IS DYING AT CERES

Mrs. M. Bryan, 25 Years a Resident of Valley, Is Ill; Centenarian Is Ceres Visitor; News Notes

CERES, Sept. 26.—Mrs. M. Bryan, aged mother of Mrs. Warren Whitney and Mrs. J. N. Herndon, known to be living near the point of death at the home of Mrs. Herndon in West Ceres. Mrs. Bryan is a pioneer resident of California and lived in Tulare county 25 years before she came to Ceres. She has been known far and near as "Grandmother Bryan." For seven years she has been a sufferer. Is nearly blind, and has been helpless many months, and it is hardly probable she will live many days longer.

The centenarian, Thompson White, of Stockton, who has been in Ceres three weeks, enjoying a visit at the home of his friends, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Moore, returned to Stockton Wednesday morning. He seems perfectly happy and proud of his one hundred years, and is pleased with the attention he receives because of his unusual age. Another guest at the home of the Moores is Mr. George Scott, foreman of the S. P. shops in Sacramento, who has been visiting them a fortnight. Johnnie Oates of Sacramento was also their guest at the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Plinkham enjoyed a short visit from Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Plinkham, of Los Angeles, who had been traveling in Canada, and returned to California over the Canadian Pacific. They stopped over to visit their brother and his family in West Ceres and continued on their journey home today.

## YOUR DANDRUFF LOOKS BAD

One application of Smith's Dandruff Pomade stops itching scalp, three to six removes all dandruff. For sale by leading druggists everywhere.

## RABIES AMONG DOGS AGAIN APPEARS IN TWO VALLEY TOWNS

HANFORD, Sept. 26.—After several weeks of apparent freedom from rabies, Hanford was menaced again today by a re-appearance of what seems to have been a genuine case of the disease.

The neighborhood of Fourth and Dundy streets was the scene of a furious outbreak of the supposed rabid dog and one child, the 6-year-old daughter of Charles Fuller, was bitten. A woman, Mrs. J. J. Lusk, who was in the neighborhood, was also bitten. The dog was shot and killed by a neighbor. The dog was shot and killed by a neighbor. The dog was shot and killed by a neighbor.

## COURT DISSOLVES SALE INJUNCTION

Stock Auction Postponed by Reason of Injunction Will Take Place; Owner Gets \$1,000 Damages

TULARE, Sept. 26.—W. A. Iden, defendant in injunction proceedings which operated to put an end to a large auction sale which began at 10 o'clock yesterday at the Del Rey ranch in this city, announced today that he would hold the sale next Friday. Iden came off victor in the hearing of the injunction proceedings before Judge Allen, at Visalia, yesterday. John Morris, the plaintiff, attempted to show that he had an interest in the stock, which was to be auctioned by virtue of contract with Iden. The court dissolved the injunction, and declared the \$1,000 bond put up by Morris as forfeited in favor of Iden to cover the damages due to the postponement of the sale.

## SELMA PLANNING FOR FREE MAIL DELIVERY

Recent Word From Washington Indicates Establishment Soon

SELMA, Sept. 26.—Selmans now feel certain that no more time will be lost in the establishment of free mail delivery within the limits of the city. As recent communications from postal authorities indicate that the government will install the necessary boxes in their homes to secure the free delivery, and the communication also asks him to report on the matter not later than Saturday night. This latter request seems to indicate that the service will be promptly put in effect if the necessary number of patrons indicate that they want free delivery.

A large list has already been signed up at the postoffice, as everyone wants free delivery. It is stated at the postoffice that patrons who ordinarily send their children for the mail are coming in person and registering as favoring the delivery system.

Selma's postal receipts have shown a gain of over 40 per cent in the past year, and it is taking the present office force to care for the mail at times. Some relief has been obtained by the establishment of an all night service, whereby mail would be delivered at night, sorted out the mail coming in on late trains, so that it is ready for delivery by the regular force early in the morning. Later, owing to the shortage of clerks, it was found necessary to suspend the night service, but this will soon be put in effect again.

## FARMERS PLAN FOR BUILDING OF MILL

Grange Society Back of Movement to Erect Plant to Grind Alfalfa for Feed in Poplar District

PORTERVILLE, Sept. 26.—The Poplar grange are planning the erection of an alfalfa meal mill which is to be built at the point on the line of the Big Four railroad in the Poplar district. George Taggard, master of the grange, was appointed a committee to secure the necessary money for the erection of the mill. The mill is to be built at the point on the line of the Big Four railroad in the Poplar district. George Taggard, master of the grange, was appointed a committee to secure the necessary money for the erection of the mill.

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## SUES SANTA FE ROAD FOR \$2,225 DAMAGES

Tulare Stockman Wants Redress for Stock Killed on Railroad

VISALIA, Sept. 26.—Alleging that through the neglect of the Atchinson, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company, several valuable animals belonging to him have been killed in the past two years, Robert Sharp of near Tulare, brought suit in the Superior Court today to collect damages in the sum of \$



## VERNON WINS FROM ANGELS IN SOUTH

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 28.—Vernon defeated Los Angeles today by a score of 2 to 1, in a game which was full of thrills. Vernon scored first in the fifth inning, when Kane made a home run with two men out. Los Angeles tied the score in the ninth inning and the contest went on scoreless through the tenth and eleventh innings and the first half of the twelfth. Then Vernon by a combination of a single, a sacrifice hit and a fielder's choice, made another run over which the umpires expressed some doubt, before declaring the runner safe at home.

President Kuhn of the Pacific Coast League witnessed the game, which was a pitchers' battle. Carlisle took the first innings for Vernon, before Brackenkridge replaced him. Chech pitched throughout for Los Angeles.

**LOS ANGELES**

	A.B.	R.	H.	B.	P.	O.	E.
Howard, cf	5	0	3	0	1	1	0
Bergar, ss	5	0	3	0	1	2	0
Moore, lb	5	0	0	1	0	1	0
Helmutter, lf	5	0	1	2	2	0	0
Page, 2b	3	0	0	0	0	3	0
Driscoll, if	4	0	1	0	1	0	0
Meltinger, 3b	2	1	0	0	1	2	0
Sobel, c	5	2	0	0	1	3	0
Chech, p	3	0	0	1	0	1	0
Totals	35	1	7	7	17	0	0

\*—Two out when winning run scored.

**VERNON**

	A.B.	R.	H.	B.	P.	O.	E.
Carlisle, if	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
Kane, cf	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
Marlinke, rf	4	0	0	0	2	0	0
K. Vrashehn, 2b	5	0	0	0	0	2	1

Anne, cr	4	1	1	0	2	0	0
Marinka, rf	3	0	0	0	2	0	0
R. Wrashear, Eb	5	0	0	0	4	2	1
Hosp, ss	5	0	0	0	1	3	0
Patterson, Rb	5	0	0	0	15	2	0
Lischi, Eb	5	1	3	1	0	4	0
Agnew, c	4	0	0	0	0	2	0

Brackenridge, p.....	1	0	0	0	1	0
Mayhew, rf.....	2	0	0	0	1	0
Total.....	3	0	2	1	2	1

**SCORE BY INNINGS**

Los Angeles.....	005	080	001	000	—
Base hits.....	001	001	210	000	7
Vernon.....	030	001	000	001	—
Base hits.....	101	191	211	111	—

Six hits; 1 run off Casleton, taken out in 3th with none out. Two base hits—Brashear, Carlisle. Sacrifice hits—Page 2; Berger, Moore, Howard, Chech, Agnew, Brackenridge, Kane. Errors on balls off Casleton 4; Chech 2. Struck out—Casleton 4; Chech 4; Brackenridge 6. Hit by pitcher—Kane; Metzger by Cas. 2nd. Decided victory to Brackenridge. Time 2:30. Umpires—Newhouse and Hill. Delancey.

**WEISS WILL RACE**

## PONIES IN SOUTH

took complete charge of the exhibit planned by the Los Angeles Harness Horse Association for its racing meeting at Exposition Park, October 16-19, 1924. On Monday, the association has strengthened itself by securing the services of this fine gentleman and horseman. The mere fact of his having complete charge of the saddle-horse exhibits insures each exhibitor the surest sort of a deal from one of the greatest experts in the United States.

Mr. English at once revised the prizes offered for several of the events and added one to the program. For the five-gaited sweepstakes exhibit for stallions, mares or geldings, a purse of \$200 is offered, divided as follows: 25 per cent, 25 per cent, 15 per cent and 10 per cent.

For the three-gaited sweepstakes class for stallions, mares and geldings,

A ladies' class for five-galbed horses has been added by Mr. English, with a purse of \$100, the three moneys divided as above. Entries should be made to

Los Angeles, for the above events. Entrance fee on these events is 5 per cent of the purse.

Harry Weiss, a member of the polo team which won the All-America Cup at Coronado, last March, defeating the English team, has taken complete charge of the dashes for polo ponies, which will be one of the features of the four days' race meeting of the Los Angeles Harness Horse Association.

Mr. Weiss will have secured the best ponies in California entered in these events, ridden by their owners in full polo costume. The association will offer handsome cups as prizes, and it is expected that next year superb challenge cups will be prophesied for which the entrants will contend.

**BROTHERHOOD'S TEAM TO  
PLAY CORCORAN SUNDAY**



ings are being made for the county convention, to be held in this city about the middle of October, by the sportsmen of the county. From now until that time, meetings will be held in every city and town of the county,

The coming convention will be held under the auspices of the Great Fish and Game Protective Association of the State, and is being sponsored by the deputy Game Commissioner, D. H. Brown, that any and all persons would be given a voice in the convention. The object of the convention is to secure an expression from the people as to a kind of game laws they wish passed, or of any changes in existing law at should be affected.

At the county convention, summoned at the District Convention, to be held Fresno shortly hereafter, will be chosen. At the District Convention, delegates will be sent before the Game and Fish Commission, to represent the county.

# OUR FICTION MAGAZINE

## A HOLDUP

BY WILL SEAT

ER money or yer life? Hold up, lady!"

The woman repressed a startled impulse to scream. Then her inborn fearlessness, coupled with an impatient contempt for the judgment that would hope to find money on her, broke forth in one crisp adjuration.

"O don't be an idiot!" she said.

The raised club wavered imperceptibly as its muffled owner strove to shape his mind to this unexpected reception of his threat. Had this solitary female some unseen guard in her wake? He glanced suspiciously along the dark road.

"I said yer money or yer life," he repeated, somewhat uncertainly.

"Well, you kin go on say'n it all night, if it amuses you. Lemme pass!"

The masked figure gave one final look into the dark.

"Aw, stow that!" he growled. "None o' yer sass, old lady! You're jest the kind wot carries a wad in their stockin'. Cough up, wot! I ain't had a square meal in three days."

The woman clutched tightly a small plush bag which she carried. "I ain't got no wad," she retorted decisively, "but I got a nice little dynamite bomb in this here bag that'll blow you where you won't want meals for some time. You'll be too much occupied keepin' cool."

As she raised the bag threateningly the man drew back. The arm holding the club fell to his side.

"Go on—I won't touch you," he crumbled, sulkily. "You ain't got

no dynamite, but darned if I don't admire yer pluck. You mind me of—"

He watched her as she stalked off into the dark, strange half-forgotten memories stirring within him. Suddenly a grin widened his mouth.

"By Jingo!" She's a real back! What's a cinch her?"

The woman approached with decision.

"You got me nervous now," she admitted grudgingly, "though I ain't afraid o' you, somehow. But if you're dyin' to make use of that there stick of yours you can come along to protect me. There's a bad place up the road a bit."

"Sure!" His heart warmed unaccountably at this evidence of femininity in the valiant female.

It was a long time since he had been called on for protection, or help in any form. Consciously he squared his shoulders, threw back his head, as he stepped briskly out beside her.

"I'll give you a good square meal when we get home," she promised him.

Hungry as he honestly was, the offer, with its hint of reward, had some subtle way, offended him.

"You needn't mind. I kin git along," he answered loftily. She glanced at him curiously.

"How long have you been doing this?"

"What?"

"Why, this here highway robbery business."

"That's tellin'," he grinned. "I 'magine you're new at it," she persisted.

"Why?" indignantly.

"O, you're sort of kind an' nice. You ain't no hardened criminal," she vouchsafed, the wife of the eternal feminine unconquerable even in this

uncertain situation.

The man felt an added warmth permeate his entire being. A sudden desire to stand with this fearless, yet distinctly appealing individual surged up within him.

Suddenly she started. "Ash! What's that?"

They had reached the "bad part," a place where the road wound through a dense growth of forest, thick with underbrush and dark with an appalling darkness. Again came the crackling, as if a heavy body pushing through the brush. She clutched his arm nervously.

"Don't be scared," he reassured her. "It's nothin' but some antelope prowlin'." He put the hand protectingly over hers. It felt appealingly small in his powerful grasp. A rush of memories swept over him, rendering him suddenly solicitous for the woman at his side.

"What are you doin' at, anyway, alone in the pitch dark on a road like this?" he queried.

"I haven't met nothin' worse 'han you, so far."

He coughed, suddenly abashed.

"That's so."

"An' I wish you'd take off that crazy mask! It makes me feel like a accomplice, walkin' along with it!" She drew away indignantly.

"Sure!" He tore off the strip of black cloth obligingly and put it in his pocket.

"I use to belong to these parts," he offered pacifically after a short silence.

"Twasn't no fault of the parts then, I reckon."

"Haw-haw!" He laughed enjoyingly. "By Crekey! but you mind me of—"

"Sny, of course, it's 15 year now an' I s'pose she ain't here no more, but did you ever hear of—"

He hesitated between a strong reluctance to

break the name and a burning desire to know "of Lindy Bastall—as was?"

The woman started imperceptibly. "Seems to me I've heard of her," she admitted. "What about her?"

"O, nothin'." Thought maybe you know her."

"He murmured absently. "Suppose her old uncle Jake's dead, then?"

"Yes, he's dead." She fitted the key in the lock and pushed open the door.

"Come through to the kitchen," she said. "I ain't had my own supper yet. You can have a bite with me."



"LINDY, WILL YOU LISTEN TO ME?"

There was silence for a space. Presently the man looked around him with a start.

"Say, what're you turnin' in here for?"

"Because I live here," she answered tersely. She closed the gate behind her and started up the path by his side.

"Well, well! Dought the old place

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The man straightened up and faced her.

"Yes, I'll tell you Lindy," he said, "an' I can't see as the fault was mine. You 'member the day we quarreled over that painter fellow as I thought was foalin' around you too much an' you went off mad. Well, I come over that evenin' to beg your pardon for doubtin' of you, an' just as I got to the end of the path that leads into the orchard, I seed you with him, under that same tree where I'd ast you, an' got your promise. An' while I stood there he put his arms round you an'—kissed you."

"It's a lie!"

"Taint no lie. I seen him! He put his arms round you an' bent over an'—an' then I jse couldn't bear to see it an' I turned an' walked out to the place an' ain't ever been back there since, not till now."

"Yes, Sam Martin, an' if you'd had any sense in your stupid head, you'd come right on an' knocked him down 'stead of marchin' off an' leavin' me to do it! My hands is may be little, but I gave him one knock that night that—"

"Lindy!"

"I was just tellin' him," she went on indignantly, "how he'd have to go, 'cause you said I must choose an', of course, I'd choose you, an'—an' then he tried to—O, Sam," she half sobbed from his arms, "why didn't you never come back?"

"I've come now, Lindy," he offered at last, uncertainly.

"Yes, you've come now—an' how?" she flashed, drawing indignantly away from him as the memory of his earlier performance swept over her. "Thievin', an' scarin' women in the dark an'—"

"Lindy, will you listen to me? This is the truth, Lindy. It's the first time I ever made to hold up any one. But things has been goin' hard with me for a long time now, an' I was jest about desperat. People is no blasted indifferent when a man asks for honest work, an' the women is worse than the men. Tonight I was jest plumb mad. I says to myself, 'By gum! I'll make some one cough up somethin'. If I have to stand here till the crack of dawn!' Lindy, he broke off suddenly at a harsh anxiety in his voice, 'what made you so saw-ey? Didn't I look like a real one?'"

Lindy smothered a laugh. "O, Sam," she said, "you're jest the same old—"

"The club was only to scare 'em," he interrupted, abandoning the point in his eagerness to explain, "an' honest, Lindy, I wouldn't of taken more'n a dollar from you, not if you'd handed out 200 of 'em."

Truth rang unmistakably in his words. He paused and waited for her judgment.

Presently a small, firm hand clasped his.

"All right, Sam," she said.

"Lindy, dear!" He took her hands in his and his voice grew strong with purpose. "I have nothin' to offer you, now, but by Jingo! I'll work."

"Sam," she looked down, hesitating.

"Sam," she began again shyly, "this place is simply goin' to rack an' ruin for want of a man to look after it."

## AN ADVENTURE

BY AGNES AGNEW.

HERE was Miss Kitty Vernon, visiting her married sister at Kelth Hall, far out in the country, and there was Mr. Jack St. Clair, stopping at his brother's place three miles from Kelth Hall for the fall hunting and shooting.

Only three miles apart, and Miss Kitty galloping over the highways on her pony, and Jack roaming about on foot, and yet three long weeks had passed and the two had not caught sight of each other.

There is much talk about magnetic attractions, but the weather is sometimes against it, or there is a range of hills to carry the current off at a tangent.

Jack St. Clair was a poor shot and a worse fisherman. It is just such fellows that go sloshing around and spoil the fun for others.

When a snipe has been shot at 40 or 50 times without being even grazed he flies away to Canada for a rest, and the fish who has been permitted to eat all the bait off a hook time after time without being caught finally seeks other waters where there is something doing.

When Jack came home from his all-day excursions without so much as a bird's tail-feather or the scale of a fish his sister-in-law would say to him:

"Why not give it up?"

"Why should I?"

"Give it up and spend your time looking for a wife. You are 25 years old, fairly wealthy and it's time you settled down."

"But I am looking. That's one good thing about the country—you can look for snipe, fish and a wife at the same time. No lost hours. If

you don't get snipe you may get fish. If you don't get fish you may meet a damsel in distress and rescue and marry her."



MISS KITTY.

Miss Kitty Vernon was not much of a horsewoman. When riding in the city park her horse was used to the paths and sights and cantered

along half asleep and as steady as a clock. Her sister's country pony would shy at stumps, rabbits and geese, and when meeting with a

side. And then, when she had been to the village three times and galloped over the highways as often the scenery lost its appeal. She would return from the ride looking anything but enthusiastic, and her sister would say:

"Why not give it up?"

"And do what?"

"Sit on the porch."

"And why that?"

"A young man may come along in an auto any hour and burst a tire and have to ask for tools to repair it. Just such an event has brought about scores of marriages."

"Humph! It will be something more romantic than a bursted old tire that will interest me! In riding around the country I may come across a young man caught in a barbed-wire fence—one about to hang himself for unrequited love—one who has been driven to the top of a haystack by a savage bull and needs my help to get down. I shall continue to go about until something happens."

Half-way between the village and Kelth Hall, making it a mile and a half each way, was the old abandoned Parson's house. There were six acres of land around it grown up to hush and weeds, and the house itself had gone to wreck. One thought of spooks when viewing it, even by daylight, and it was strange that it was not down on the list of haunted houses. Miss Kitty Vernon had passed it many a time, and Mr. Jack St. Clair had spent half an hour investigating the interior.

Fate sometimes gets a lazy streak on, and then things move as slow as molasses creeping across the kitchen floor. Young man and maiden had somehow dodged each other for four whole weeks when Fate woke up.

Then came a morning when the chickens and ducks said it was going to rain. They beat the weather by

ten at that sort of business. Mr. St. Clair decided not to go gunning and fishing but to try his hand at a toy wheelbarrow for his little niece, and Miss Vernon decided to sit on the porch with a raincoat on and watch for the automobilist.

Noon and no rain yet! The wheelbarrow wouldn't wheel. The automobilist—the only one that came along—was an old curmudgeon who was in a hurry to get somewhere, and he never looked at the girl on the porch, and there was no explanation.

Two o'clock and no rain! Mr. Jack yawned and swore, and Miss Kitty yawned and didn't swear.

Three o'clock—4 o'clock! Same overcast sky—same clucking hens and quacking ducks, but the first drop of rain had yet to fall.

"Hang it, but this is the very best sort of snipe weather!" exclaimed Mr. Jack as he shouldered his gun and set out.

"I've got a letter to mail, and I'll enter to the village and back," said Miss Kitty as she ordered the man to saddle the pony.

Fate was planning. A snipe or some other bird—one is not over-particular about the species—led Mr. Jack a two-mile chase. It did so by offering him about 50 fair shots, and of course every one of them was a miss.

He had just aimed for his first miss when a drop of rain hit him on the nose and the long deferred downfall began to get busy. The old Parson's house was the nearest shelter, and he made for it.

The pony was galloped into the village and the letter mailed, and he headed for home. Half a mile from the Parson's house, and just as it began to rain, the pony caught sight of a log beside the road he had passed a hundred times and shied at it.

Out of the saddle went Miss Kitty.

and away for home galloped the pony. No bones broken and no skulls fractured, but no one can take a flop of the sort without a few bumps and being mussed up more or less.

The rain was making porridge of the dust when the unexpected and very angry maid started for the old house. She didn't intend to enter, but to stand around until the rain ceased.

She reached it to find that she must at least step into the hall to get any shelter at all. It was not yet so dark that she couldn't see her way, but yet dark enough for ghosts to turn on the current and open shop.

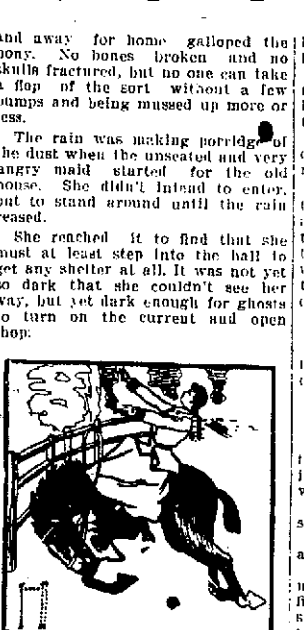
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Mr. St. Clair had reached the house 15 minutes ahead of the girl, and had taken a seat on the rotting floor of what had been the parlor. Five minutes before her arrival he had heard a queer sound up stairs, but several of the snipe steps were gone and he could not have investigated if he had wished.

He heard, rather than saw, Miss Kitty timidly enter the hall, and

he could not make out what was going on.

A growling from upstairs—a patting across the floor—a bumping—humph! Ghosts for two! The real thing and no discount!

Miss Kitty screamed out and fell down the front steps. Mr. St. Clair made for the door.

He saw something flying towards the highway and he up with his gun and fired. He missed, of course, but there was a scream and the something fell down, and the huddle was under his feet before he made out that it was a girl in rain-wet and clinging garments.

"O, Mr. Ghost!" from the bundle.

"Who is it? What is it?"

"Sir, how dare you!" demanded the girl as she rose up with the help of an outstretched hand.

"And how dare you?"

"You had there on purpose!"

"And you came on purpose!"

There was a moment's silence, and then both laughed heartily and even in the pouring rain explanations were entered into.

"But there was surely a ghost-upstairs!" protested the girl.

"And I will come here tomorrow and root it out!"

Hand in hand, through rain and mud and darkness, Mr. St. Clair finally delivered his charge to her sister's care and then went his further way.

"Now, then, Miss Kitty, you have had an adventure!" accused the sister.

"I have."

"O, you needn't! I have been hooked off my pony, rolled in the mud, rained on, visited a haunted house, heard a ghost and met the man I am to marry. That's all!"

And next day, when Mr. St. Clair visited the Parson's house he found upstairs an old cat with her tail caught in a crack in the floor, and he blessed her and set her at liberty.

## A BOTANIST

BY WALTER GREGORY.

HEN a young man has graduated as a botanist what does he do? He may take up house-painting or blacksmithing, but the chances are that he will hunt up some relative living in the country and pursue his studies in the field for some weeks in the hope of making new discoveries.

Young Ronald Chiselm did that very thing. He had a brother living among the hills of Massachusetts, and that brother was very glad to see him.

The young man had simply to eat, sleep and wander. He climbed hills, crossed dikes and wandered over meadows, and he hadn't an idea of anything beyond the collection he was making. He had no idea that there was a darling horse thief living in the country, and that less than three miles away there lived a young lady with golden hair, brown eyes and a face called lovely.

After a time the doings of that horse thief excited attention. The local constable, a deputy got after him, and he picked certain booty by night and watched wood-piles and offered a reward.

The fellow had been seen by more than one farmer as he dodged from place to place.

Perhaps there have been young botanists who have taken great interest in horse thieves and their doings, but it wasn't the case with young Chiselm. In fact, he was hardly interested when informed at the breakfast table one morning that his own brother had been made a victim. He had reason to believe that he was on the trail of a new brand of catnip, and his thoughts all ran that way.

On this particular morning the botanist took a new direction when he left the house. It was straight across the country toward the home of that damsel with golden hair. Without his knowing it she was the missing link in a chain of events that was to lead him to a wide and shady veranda Miss Gladys Dexter sitting to and fro, while the locust blossoms scented the air and the insects droned and hummed. Her father was away, her mother lying down in her room with a headache, and the girl seemed to have the world to herself. She might have slept but for steps on the gravel walk.

"O, Miss Dexter," said the sheriff as she roused up, "you've heard about that horse thief, I reckon?"

"Yes."

"He's sure got nerve. Hanging

right around here yet. Your dad hasn't got any horses to be stolen, but I want you to keep your eyes open. Here's a good description of him. If you got your eye on him it's telephone to me, and half the reward is yours."

"I'm no thief-catcher, laughed the girl, "but if the man comes calling I shall think it my duty to notify you."

"That's good enough. Wouldn't ask you to give away a tramp, but here's a hard case. He's stole five good horses. May turn to burglary next. Just telephone and I will gobble him."

After the sheriff had departed Miss Gladys read the description, and with the bill still in her hand she wandered down the highway to the creek which crossed it a few rods below the house.

With her own hands, the day before she had made a little dam and imprisoned a few little fish there, there yet and fishing about, and their antics were being watched with amused interest when a young man with a plant in his hand climbed the fence into the road.

He at first seemed taken back at sight of the girl, who certainly looked a bit alarmed, but after half a minute he lifted his cap, and holding out the plant he asked:

"I beg pardon, but have you seen

anything like this growing in the field beyond?"

"No, sir," was the curt reply.

"Ah, I was hoping to find it there. So far as my knowledge extends—"

With her heart in her mouth and her face flushing, Miss Gladys was walking along the highway. He was skulking about in black daylight. He had been taken back at seeing her, but had summoned his nerve and carried it through. Yes, and he had a printed description of him lying there in her hand!

"Height, about five feet nine; good figure; dark eyes and curly hair; speaks like an educated man."

Why, there he was, and what nerve! He must know the alarm was out for him, and yet he dared to show himself on the highway! The sheriff should be telephoned to at once.

Miss Gladys was all in a tremble, but she walked away slowly and with her usual dignity. At the gate, out of the corner of her eye, she noticed the young man climbing back into the field he had come from, but he showed no haste. Yes, he should be given up to justice at once.

No, he shouldn't be. That is—well, maybe so and maybe not. Miss Gladys was remembering the dark eyes and curly hair—the gentle voice and kindly smile. It didn't seem as if such a man could be a criminal. He might be a Ratfink, but he could

not be a low-down horse thief! Who could tell why he had gone wrong? He might have loved and met with disappointment. He might—

"Shaw!" exclaimed the girl to herself, and walking to the telephone she rung up and got the sheriff and gave him the news.

"Good for you!" he came back. "I'll have the fellow within an hour. At the creek, you say?"

"Yes, but you won't shoot him or anything?"

"Not unless he shoots first. He's a desperate character, you know, and I shan't take any chances."

"I hope—I hope— Well, I may be down at the creek when you come. Goodby!"

She was at the creek when the sheriff and two deputies came up in a buggy with the horse on the dead run. She was there because, ten minutes earlier, from an upstairs window, she had caught sight of the horse thief sitting under a tree in the field he had entered. He was bare-headed and seemed to be examining plants and flowers.

In whispering, although the criminal was 40 rods away, she gave him up to justice again, and within the next 40 seconds she hoped he would get away clear. In that she was disappointed, however. He saw the officers approaching, but made no move. They came up to him with

pistols in their hands, but he smiled at them.

Under arrest? Horse thief? O, all right! Handcuffs? Well, if they thought best, but there was some mistake about the matter. No? All right again.

The officers came back to the highway with their prisoner, and the Miss Gladys wished she could rescue him, and almost wept to think she had given him up. He was clinging to his plants and smiling as he talked, and he even lifted his cap to her.

"Great capture!" whispered the radiant sheriff. "I'll be the ink of the state. Don't say a word and we'll divide the reward."

"I won't touch a penny of it! I'm sorry I said a word to you!"

"Well, by Jinks!"

The botanist went to jail, but only for an hour, or until his brother could be telephoned to. Abject apologies from sheriff, deputies and about 40 citizens who had remarked that they should have known he was a horse thief. If meeting him in China.

And one more apology—from Miss Gladys. Young Mr. Chiselm called to give her the opportunity, and she said she was very, very sorry. Then he said he was very, very glad, and from that moment they dropped horse-stealing for botany and poetry and music, and at last accounts they

were very, very chummy—so much so to be under suspicion.

**Great Falling Off.**

Pearl—What is the trouble, dear? Ruby—Boo-hoo! I—I'm afraid George doesn't love me any more.

Pearl—Ridiculous! Didn't he say if you died he would shed a quart of tears?

Ruby—Yes, but—but—hoo-hoo—he used to say he'd shed a gallon.

**Priscilla's Chance.**

"Why don't you speak for yourself, John?"

Priscilla asked of her beau; And Alden blushed to either ear And said, so fast Priscilla could hear, "I thought I'd wait for you, my dear."

It's leap year, don't you know."

**Pan and His Pipe.**

Poetic Girl—It is time Pan was skipping over the flowered hills. You don't see any American Pans?

Witty Willow—No, but you see a lot of Pan-American.

**Qualifying Clause.**

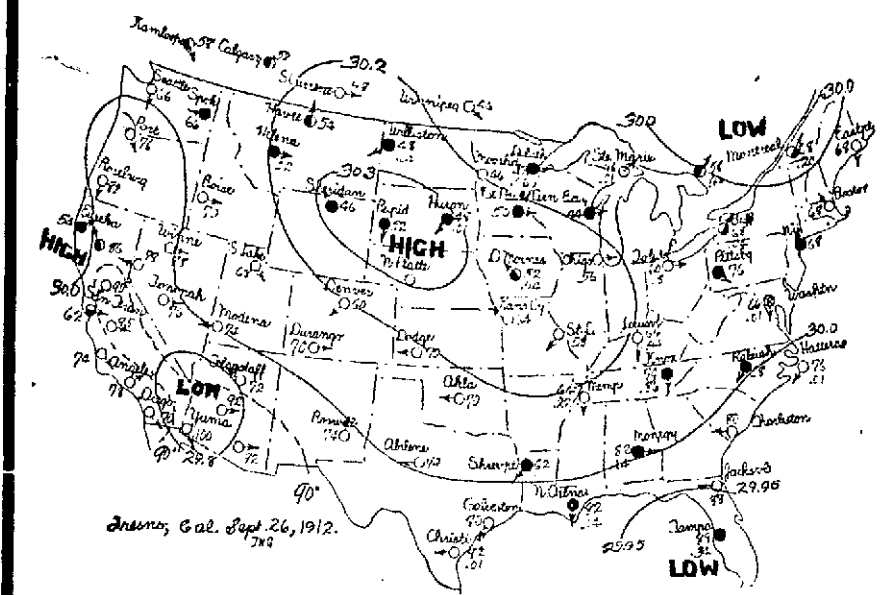
"Where there's a will there's a way," quoted the moralizer.

"Yes," rejoined the democrat, "especially if the lady with the will is married."

And, being a married man himself, the moralizer let it go at that.



# U. S. Department of Agriculture WEATHER BUREAU WILLIS L. MOORE, Chief.



## EXPLANATORY NOTES.

Observations taken at 8 p. m. 7th meridian time. Air pressure reduced to sea level. Isobars (contour lines) pass through points of equal air pressure. Isotherms (dotted lines) pass through points of equal temperature; drawn only for zero, freezing, 50°, and 100°. Clouds: ☁ partly cloudy; ☁ cloudy; ☁ rain; ☁ snow; ☁ report missing. Arrows show the wind. First figure, highest temperature past 24 hours; second, precipitation of 24 hours or more for past 24 hours; third, maximum wind velocity.

FRESNO, Sept. 26.—Local data:

Barometer ..... 29.85  
Temperature ..... 69  
Wind direction ..... N.W.  
Wind velocity ..... 3  
Humidity ..... 43  
September average daily high temp. 85  
September average daily low temp. 53  
Highest this month for 25 years ..... 111  
Lowest this month for 25 years ..... 42  
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Local forecast: Generally fair and somewhat cooler weather Friday, probably with some high clouds.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

An immense area of high barometric pressure stretches across the country almost from coast to coast but its eastward advance has brought about a sharp decline in pressure over Oregon and

Washington. This change is causing some cloudiness in Northern California but there has been no rainfall and elsewhere west of the Rocky mountains the sky is clear, with moderately high temperatures. The eastern cool wave has spread eastward almost to the Atlantic coast and light to moderate rains from the great lakes to the east Gulf states have attended the lowering temperature.

Although the barometric pressure is much lower on the north Pacific coast it is but a return to more normal pressure there and no disturbance has as yet developed. Generally fair weather may be expected on Friday, probably with some high clouds at intervals.

W. E. BONNETT, Local Forecaster.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26.—Forecast: San Joaquin valley: Fair Friday, moderately warm; light west wind.

berley 3005/3100; oat groats 450; rolled oats 4100/4200.

Hay—Wheat 2150/2200; wheat and timothy 2000/2100; barley 1600/1800; alfalfa 1100/1200; straw 400/450.

Receipts—Wheat 5200; wheat 4450; barley 34,700; oats 2175; beans 1300; potatoes 2900; melons 1800; brass 35; middlings 50; hay 483; straw 10; hops 253; hides 410; wool 1700.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Wheat steady; December \$1.45 bid, \$1.52 asked. Barley firm; December \$1.30; May \$1.41.

## RETAIL MARKETS

Gray Apples—6c a lb.; box \$1.85. R. P. apples—5c a lb.; box \$1.25.

Artichokes—2 for 15c.

Green string beans—5c a lb.

Green lima beans—10c a lb.

Cucumbers—1c each.

Bananas—20c dozen.

Oranges—15c each.

Calabash—2c each.

Carrots—10c bunch.

Carrots—3 bunches for 5c.

Cantaloupes—2 for 5c, 5c, 10c.

Carabina melons—20c, 25c each.

Carabina—15c, 20c, 25c each.

Celery—10c bunch.

Dry herbs—30c bunch.

Egg plant—4c lb.

Garlic—15c lb.

Grapes—15c basket.

Ground apples—5c lb.

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## THE NEW YORK STOCK MARKETS

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Money rates advanced today to an unusual degree. The preceding day's flurry, when call loans rose to 7 per cent, the high rate of the year, served as a reminder that the steady outflow of cash from this center was again threatening a deficit in the small reserves of the clearing house banks.

The opening rate today, 6 per cent, held steady until the late afternoon when it advanced 1/4, then declined and closing at 5 per cent. Time money was unchanged.

Stocks opened active and strong with 1 point gains in Canadian Pacific, Great Northern, Consolidated Gas and a few less prominent issues, while most of the speculative leaders rose substantially. Reading was the most striking exception, turning away soon after the opening.

United States Steel and Sinclair were the conspicuous industrial declines in view of a moderate advance comprising almost one-half of the first hour's output, while Smeltz rose 2 points on circumstantial rumors of increased dividend prospects.

A wide range of stocks, including some of the high priced specialties, advanced 1/2 to 3 points, and at midday Harrison, Esch, especially, was the market leader, with a publication of August earnings profit taking and short sales covered a steady ebbing of gains, however, until little was left of the irregular and dull close.

Union Pacific not only for August was \$55,000 and that of Southern Pacific \$44,000, while Southern Railway and a few other roads reported nominal increases for the same month.

Bond prices fell off slightly on reduced dealings. Total sales, but value, aggregated \$2,150,000.

United States government bonds were unchanged on call.

## RECORDED DEEDS

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## "PAL" OF MISSING WITNESS RELEASED

Chas. Buttermann Will Not Be Held as Witness in Robbery Case

Charles Buttermann, who has been held in the jail for the past week as a witness in connection with the killing of Harvey Cole and the injuring of Thomas Harrington by Thomas Ragan, was released from custody yesterday morning. Ragan was released Wednesday night. A Buttermann was asleep in Ragan's room when the two desperadoes attempted to rob Ragan. He will not be required to testify at the hearing and trial of Harrington for attempted highway robbery. A letter addressed to William Mack, who has been identified as Harrington, was received at the county jail yesterday. The back of the envelope was a request that the letter be returned to John Rourke at Bakerfield if the letter was not delivered. Harrington is at present at the county hospital and will be given the letter when he is removed to the jail.

## DAMAGE SUIT IS SETTLED FOR \$2,000

Acknowledgment of the receipt of \$2,000 as damages and \$8 as costs was filed yesterday by Mrs. Mabel Montgomery, an administratrix of the estate of her husband, L. T. Montgomery, in her suit for damages against the Santa Fe Railroad Company. She asked for the sum named as damages for his accidental killing on the 11th of last July in the switching of cars without warning. The death of the deceased was the result of a compromise, notwithstanding the answer on file of the railroad company that the death of Montgomery was the result of his own negligence and carelessness in the violation of an express rule of the company.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

M. S. Webster, aged 61, and Hope M. Reading, aged 34, both of Fresno. P. C. Cable, aged 22, and Vida M. Phipps, aged 18, both of Garden Grove, in Orange county.

Arthur Brigham, aged 22, and Dovie Hugopian, aged 19, both of Fresno.

## FRANCE IS TO BUILD DIRIGIBLE BALLOONS

PARIS, Sept. 26.—France has decided to build a squadron of swift armored dirigibles for its aerial warfare in addition to the aeroplanes already possessed by the army.

Four great steerable balloons of the non-rigid type have been ordered by the government. These are to have a speed of about 43-1-2 miles an hour, and are to be armed with machine guns. Their gas capacity is to be about 800,000 cubic feet.

## LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORK

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of the City of Fresno, California, at a regular meeting of said Board of Trustees held on the 18th day of September, 1912, and adopted a resolution of intention, designated as Resolution of Intention No. 48, declaring the intention of said Board of Trustees to order the following public work to be done in said City, to-wit:

Received by the Board of Trustees of the City of Fresno, in the County of Fresno, State of California, the Map of Parkhurst's Addition to the Town of Fresno on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Fresno, State of California.

First, That it is the intention of said Board of Trustees to order the following public work to be done in said City, to-wit:

The closing up of the alley (except for sewers and other underground pipes and conduits) in block 201 of the City of Fresno, California, containing the Map of Parkhurst's Addition to the Town of Fresno on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Fresno, State of California.

Second, That the land which is hereby taken therefor, and which is situated in the City of Fresno, in the County of Fresno, State of California, and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The land comprised in said alley and herein above described to-wit: The alley in block 201 of the City of Fresno, California, containing the Map of Parkhurst's Addition to the Town of Fresno on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Fresno, State of California.

That the land which is hereby taken therefor, and which is situated in the City of Fresno, in the County of Fresno, State of California, and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The land comprised in said alley and herein above described to-wit: The alley in block 201 of the City of Fresno, California, containing the Map of Parkhurst's Addition to the Town of Fresno on file and of record in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Fresno, State of California.

That the land which is hereby taken therefor, and which is situated in the City of Fresno, in the County of Fresno, State of California, and particularly described as follows, to-wit:







...has made his escape from jail